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1. An emissary of Col. Osmin Aguirre y Salinas, a presidential candidate in El Salvador, failed last week in his twofold mission to obtain for Aguirre the support of General Somoza of Nicaragua and President-elect Galvez of Honduras.
2. The emissary was successful in interviewing General Somoza, but he was unable to get any satisfaction regarding financial support or any definite commitment to Aguirre. The emissary stated that in the past, Somoza had praised Aguirre and declared that he was just the man to guide El Salvador and counteract the menace of the Caribbean Legion.
3. Aguirre's man was not even received in Tegucigalpa. He was considerably puzzled by this turn of events, since he stated that he had been asked by Galvez and Carias to return and talk business regarding support of Aguirre after the Honduran elections were over. Galvez and Carias said at that time that they favored Aguirre's candidacy. ~~Comment.~~ It is believed that the reported negotiations of President Castaneda of El Salvador with Somoza and Carias may have something to do with the non-support of Aguirre.)

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